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THE Diſcourſes of Mr. *Walſh*, known any other Way, than as proceeding immediately out of his own Lips, loſe much of their Excellence. Accuracy of Compoſition, and Elegance of Stile, were the leaſt of his Care; and are therefore not to be ſought for in them. The Word of God dwelling richly in him, and a Heart ever burning with Love to God, and Zeal for Souls, rendered his Diſcourſes feeling and fruitful; being urged home upon the Conſcience, by his fervent and forcible Manner of Addreſs. They conveyed to the attentive Heart, a certain Light, Savour, and Senſibility of divine Things, which ſurpaſſed all the power of human Wiſdom and Eloquence; reſembling in ſome Degree, that from whence they proceeded. He wrote but few Sermons; perhaps not above a Dozen in all; and theſe he wrote, after having firſt preached them. They were the free Pourings out of a Heart deeply penetrated with inviſible Realities, and in a rapid

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Flow of ſcriptural Oratory, on Subjects of the neareſt and weightieſt Concernment to all Men. One of them, called *the whole Armour of God*, a Diſcourſe on *Eph.* vi. 11. has been publiſhed ſome Time ſince: The others may appear ſingly in their Seaſon. That which is now preſented to the publick, breaths a Mixture of Authority and Submiſſion, Mildneſs and Severity, Energy and Affection, Bowels of Compaſſion towards Sinners, and yet, juſt Indignation at Sin of every Kind, ſuch as always appeared in him, when diſcourſing of heavenly Things. It appears in its native Plainneſs; and may convey, it is hoped, at leaſt a Part of its original Uſefulneſs to ſome Souls. This will more than compenſate for the Cenſure of the curious and the critical Reader. The Kingdom, and the Croſs of JESUS are all Myſtery, or Folly to the World; but to ſimple Believers they are the Wiſdom and the Power of GOD. May the Author of every good Gift, make it a Bleſſing to all who ſhall be pleaſed to read it.

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How ſhall we eſcape, if we neglect ſo great Salvation? Heb. ii. 3.

THE Lord God has no Pleaſure in the Death of a Sinner: For as he is loving to every Man, he would have all Men to come to the Knowledge of the Truth and be ſaved. God ſo loved the World, that he gave his only begotten Son, that all who believe in Him, ſhould not periſh, but have everlaſting life. Therefore, as the Apoſtle obſerves in the context, we ought to give the more earneſt heed to the Things which we have heard, leſt at any Time we ſhould let them ſlip; for if the Word ſpoken by Angels was ſtedfaſt and every Tranſgreſſion and Diſobedience received a juſt Recompence of reward; How ſhall we eſcape

if we neglect ſo great Salvation? Which at the firſt began to be preach'd by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by them that heard him——Thus the inſpir'd writer ſhews and inforces, the Excellency and Preciouſneſs of the Redemption which is in, and through our Lord Jesus Christ, who of God is made unto us Wiſdom, and Righteouſneſs, and Sanctification, and Redemption. From the Words of the Text I ſhall Conſider,

I. That the Goſpel Salvation is great.

II. That the Neglecters of this Salvation ſhall be ſorely puniſhed,

III. I ſhall make ſome Application.

I. I am to ſhew that the Goſpel Salvation is great. And this will appear if we conſider theſe Particulars.

1. Compare it with all other deliverances that ever were wrought even by God himſelf.

2. The Author of it.

3. The Means uſed to accompliſh it.

4. The Salvation itſelf, or the Benefits that accrue to us thro' Jesus Christ.

1. When God ſaved *Noah* in the Ark, it was wonderful; but this Salvation is much inferiour to the Deliverance of our Souls from the Deluge of God's Wrath, which we obtain by the Goſpel.

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The Preſervation of *Lot* from being conſumed in *Sodom* was miraculous, yet the Goſpel's ſaving from the Vengeance of eternal Fire, is greater— We may Inſtance in *Daniel*, and the three Children, in the fiery Furnace: Yet ſtill all is not to be compared with the Deliverance accompliſhed by JESUS CHRIST, for thoſe that receive Him; for He ſaves them from the roaring Lion, and the fiery Furnace, the ſmoak of which aſcendeth up for ever and ever.

2. The Author of this Salvation is deſcribed *Iſa.* ix. 6. Even the mighty GOD, the Father of Eternity, the Prince of Peace. It was not a Man, or an Angel; but GOD manifeſt in the Fleſh; yea, that GOD who is over all; of whom all Things were made, and by whom all Things conſiſt. GOD looked to ſee if there was any to help, and there was not one that could recover Man from his Apoſtacy. He muſt ſave Man Himſelf, or Man muſt periſh for ever.

3. As to the Means which GOD uſed to accompliſh Man's Salvation; He was made in the Likeneſs of ſinful Fleſh, *Rom.* viii. 3. That is, He took our human Nature upon Him, with all its Miſeries, and Infirmities, Sin only excepted. This appeared from His being a Man of Sorrows, and acquainted with Grief. And He not only took on Him our Nature, and ſuffered much Affliction and Temptation, for near thirty-four Years; but He alſo laid down his Life for our Ranſom. Without ſhedding of Blood, there was no Remiſſion; and, only the precious Blood of this immaculate Lamb, could have

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put away Sin: and becauſe of its ineſtimable Worth, it is called The Blood of GOD, *Acts* xx. 28.

4, The Salvation itſelf, or the Benefits that accrue unto thoſe who are real Chriſtians, I ſhall conſider theſe chiefly; for this indeed is the very Thing intended by the Apoſtle. And

1. Through CHRIST we are ſaved from the Guilt of all our Sins. For there is no Condemnation to them that are in CHRIST JESUS, *Rom.* viii. 1. All that believe in Him are juſtified from all Things. *Acts* xiii. 39. By being ſaved from the Guilt of Sin, I mean, that free Redemption which the Sinner has in the Blood of CHRIST, in the Moment he lays hold on the Promiſe by Faith. The Words of St. *Peter* confirm this: To Him (i. e. to CHRIST) bear all the Prophets witneſs, That whoſoever believeth in Him, ſhould receive Forgiveneſs of Sins, *Acts* x. 43. This is the Gift of GOD. By Grace our Sins are forgiven; for by Grace we are ſaved through Faith, and that not of ourſelves, it is the Gift of GOD: not of Works, leſt any Man ſhould boaſt, *Eph.* ii. 9. CHRIST is the ſole Cauſe of our Juſtification. What He did, and ſuffered, and ever pleads as our High Prieſt, is the meritorious Cauſe of our Acceptance with GOD; and Faith is the only Condition on which we receive this Atonement, or, the Inſtrument by which we apprehend the Love and Righteouſneſs of GOD, in CHRIST JESUS.

2. Through CHRIST, Believers are ſaved from the Power of Sin. This is copiouſly ſet forth by St.

St. *Paul*, in the ſixth Chapter to the *Romans*. Thus ſaith the Apoſtle, at the ſixth Verſe; Knowing this, that our Old Man is crucified with Him, that the Body of Sin might be deſtroyed, that henceforth we ſhould not ſerve Sin. And again, at the fourteenth verſe, Sin ſhall not have Dominion over you, for ye are not under the Law, but under Grace. Even under that Grace that bringeth Salvation, and that leadeth you to renounce all Ungodlineſs, and Worldly Deſires. The Son hath made you free. He hath made you victorious over Sin. You trample it under your Feet. You are crucified with CHRIST. Sin is conquered, and Grace reigns through Righteouſneſs. Thoſe that receive Remiſſion of Sins, in the ſame Moment they receive Power to forſake all outward Sin, and to keep down inward Sin. The Law of the Spirit of Life, which is through CHRIST JESUS, has made them free from the Law of Sin and Death.

3. Believers are ſaved through CHRIST from the Contagion of Sin, for He deſtroyeth all the Works of the Devil. He brings in everlaſting Righteouſneſs. He fully ſaves His People from their Sins. He heals all their Diſeaſes, and cleanſes them from all Unrighteouſneſs. This is largely promiſed and explained in the thirty-ſixth Chapter of *Ezekiel*, from the twenty-fifth, to the twenty-ninth Verſe. GOD promiſes,

1. That He would cleanſe them from all their Filthineſs and Idols. 2. Give them a new Heart, and a right Spirit. 3. Give them His Spirit. 4. Cauſe them to walk in His Statutes, to keep His Judgments, and to do them. 5. That they ſhould

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be ſaved from all their Uncleanneſſes. This is the Reſt that remains for the People of God: for agreeable to theſe Words of the Prophet, are the Words of the Apoſtle, *Eph.* 4. *Col.* 1. *Tit.* 2. all compared and joined together, abundantly prove, That God's People who exerciſe themſelves unto Godlineſs, are not only a choſen Generation, and a Royal Prieſthood; but alſo, an holy Nation, a peculiar People, who are called out of Darkneſs into marvellous Light, that they may ſhew forth the Virtues of Christ Jesus. Thus they are Partakers of a divine Nature. The great and precious Promiſes are fulfilled in them.

4. They that are delivered from the Body of Sin and Death, are ſaved likewiſe from Fear, from all Fear that has Torment, 1 *John* iv. 18. 1. From the Fear of Man. 2. From the Fear of Death; for now they can triumph, and ſay, O Death, where is thy Sting! The Sting of Death is Sin; but their Sins are forgiven; therefore the Fear of Death terrifies them no more. 3. From the Fear of Hell, or the Wrath of God. It is turned away, *Iſa.* xii. 1.

5. Believers are ſaved from the Power of the Grave. This Corruption ſhall put on Incorruption, and this Mortal ſhall put on Immortality. The Bodies of the Saints ſhall be faſhioned like to the glorious Body of Christ, *Phil.* iii. 18. Thus, O Grave, He will be thy Deſtruction.

6. The Saints are ſaved from Hell, and all Miſery. All Tears are wiped away from their Eyes, *Rev.* vii. 17. They ſhall have Fulneſs of Joy, and Plea-

Pleaſures for ever more. They are ſaved from Sin, and Hell, and Miſery, into Happineſs and Glory.

II. I come in the ſecond Place to ſhew, that the Neglecters of this Salvation, ſhall be ſorely puniſhed; for as the Apoſtle ſaith, If the Word ſpoken by Angels, on *Mount Sinai*, at the Promulgation of the Law, was ſtedfaſt, and every Tranſgreſſion, and Diſobedience, received a juſt Recompence of Reward, How ſhall we eſcape, if we neglect ſo great Salvation? That is, if we through Careleſſneſs or Stubbornneſs, neglect to make our Calling and Election ſure. If we trample under Foot the Son of GOD, His Love in dying for us, and eſteem His precious Blood (with which He ſeals His Covenant) an unholy, or common Thing. The greater the Salvation is, the more grievous will the Damnation of thoſe be, who neglect it. Nothing can poſſibly provoke the LORD GOD more, than that Men ſhould ſlight His Mercy, which He has ſo ſtupendouſly and wonderfully manifeſted in CHRIST His Son. The Son muſt alſo be angry, that after all He has done for His Vineyard, Men ſhould make light of His Love, which He has ſhewed in dying for them. But to explain this Point more particularly. It is neceſſary to ſhew, That impenitent Sinners of every kind, do not, and cannot eſcape the Vengeance of GOD. And

1. Thoſe that never ſeriouſly conſider their latter End; that never cry for Mercy, or Forgiveneſs; thoſe that deſpiſe the Grace of CHRIST, and have no Reliſh for ſpiritual Things, have that which condems them in their own Breaſts, even that

that Monitor Conſcience, which GOD has placed in the Soul, to bear witneſs againſt their ungodly Deeds. Their own Hearts condemn them, whether they will or no. GOD ſhines often into their Souls, and ſhews them the Error of their Ways, and the imminent Danger they are in.——Therefore they are like the troubled Sea, whoſe Waters caſt up Mire and Dirt. There is no Peace, ſaith my GOD, to the Wicked, *Iſa.* lvii. 20, 21. The Wrath of GOD abideth on them; they are miſerable. They have no ſolid Joy, no permanent Pleaſure; for GOD has kept Happineſs in Himſelf, and He is reſolved it never ſhall be given to the Diſobedient. All the Happineſs of the Wicked is like the Morning Cloud, and early Dew; there is a Curſe on them, and on whatſoever they do. So that even in this Life, GOD puniſhes thoſe that abuſe His Mercy.

And though the Ungodly may ſeem to be eaſy, and joyful, we know it is not ſo. While there is Hardneſs of Heart, and Ignorance of CHRIST, the Soul muſt be miſerable; for as the Righteous have two Heavens, viz. A Heaven of Grace here, and a Heaven of Glory in the World to come; even ſo the Neglecters of the great Salvation are in a Senſe damned while they live; the Pangs of Hell get hold on them; the Worm that dies not, is gnawing them; the Dogs of Hell are often let looſe on them; eſpecially when they come to die; then they are confounded; all their miſerable Comforters forſake them: Die they muſt. O what breaking of Bones is this? This is unto them the Beginning of that Sorrow that ſhall never end. If they look back, they ſee nothing but Sin

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and Shame in all their Life: if forward, Hell and Wrath are before them. If they look up, they muſt ſee an angry GOD; and if down, an open Gulph! Undoubtedly, the Devil, and his Angels are ready to ſeize on the Soul immediately. The Sinner is hedged in on every Side.

2. But ſuppoſing thoſe that neglect the great Salvation could eſcape here, they cannot eſcape in the World to come; for all their Works ſhall be brought into Judgment. They ſhall not go unpuniſhed: No; ſtrong is the LORD, who judgeth them; and He is righteous and terrible too. When the Day of His Wrath is come, the Neglecters of the great Salvation ſhall not be able to ſit in Judgment, nor ſtand in the Congregation of the Righteous: The Books ſhall be opened; even their Conſciences, to bear Witneſs againſt them. And another Book ſhall be opened, that is, the Book of Remembrance, where all their Omiſſions, and Commiſſions, and all their Vileneſſes are regiſtered.—And then, Where ſhall the Wicked, and Ungodly appear! This is the Day of Vengeance of our GOD, when His Son ſhall be exalted on the holy Hill of *Sion*, to make His Enemies His Foot-ſtool. Now the Wicked will call upon the Rocks, and the Mountains to fall upon them, and cover them from the Face of Almighty GOD! And in one Senſe, they ſhall get the Thing that they deſire: for the Rocks will fall upon them to grind them to Powder. Then ſhall they be bound in Bundles to burn them up, *Matt.* xiii. 30.

Again, The Vengeance of GOD will ſtill purſue them; they ſhall be caſt into that Lake that burns with Fire and Brimſtone, which is the ſecond Death, *Rev.* xxi. 8. Where the Smoke of their Torments, aſcend up for ever, and ever! Now the Wicked are in their own Place: and becauſe they would not have the Fear of the LORD; they would not have CHRIST to reign over them; they rejected His Counſel, and would none of His Reproof; therefore He laughs at their Calamity, and mocks when their Fear cometh. All the Curſes of GOD; all the Threatnings in the Bible, are now inflicted on them. The vials of GOD's wrath are poured down upon them. Here are weeping and lamentation and woe. Thus they that neglect the great Salvation ſhall go into everlaſting Fire, and have their portion with the Devil and his Angels, where their Worm ſhall not die neither ſhall their fire be quenched, You ſee clearly the Wicked cannot Eſcape neither in the Day of Judgement, or in Eternity. But GOD will thus avenge himſelf on his Adverſaries.

III. I come in the laſt place to apply the preceding Conſiderations. And

1. You may obſerve how tranſcendent the Deliverance accompliſhed by CHRIST is; how far ſuperior to all thoſe wonderful Works and Deliverances, which GOD wrought in old Times. We are now ſaved; ſaved in the Ark of the Covenant, even CHRIST. He is our hiding Place and our Rock, *Iſa.* xxxii. 2. We are ſaved from a Deluge of Wrath and Miſery, much

much worſe than that which deſtroyed the old World; but more of this hereafter.

2. Do you not diſcern two remarkable particulars couched under the Second Head? I mean concerning the Author of this Salvation. 1. How heinous muſt Sin be in the Sight of GOD! He would not let it go unpuniſhed, though the Puniſhment fell upon His well beloved Son! O, what a complicated crime was that of *Adam*? And how great Evils are all our Sins, ſeeing no leſs a Perſon than the Mighty GOD could atone for them. Conſider this, ye that talk of little Sins: See what it coſt to redeem the fallen Race; and let a holy Indignation riſe in your breaſt againſt your Sins. Slay them, hate them, caſt them all away for ever.

2. How infinite, how inconceivable was the Love of GOD towards Sinners, that He ſhould give us His only begotten Son to redeem us from Sin and Death, *John* iii. 16. LORD, What is Man, that Thou ſhouldeſt ſo regard him! O Sinners, ſee the love of CHRIST to your poor Souls! When no other Ranſom could purchaſe, He gives Himſelf for us. He dies, the Juſt for the Unjuſt, to bring us to GOD! See how He bears our Sins in His own Body on the Tree. Behold the Man! The Man of Sorrows, and acquainted with Grief! Was there ever Love or Sorrow like unto Thine, O JESUS! O Beloved, does not the Love of CHRIST conſtrain you to love Him! Can you any longer neglect the great Salvation! Why will ye die?

die? O, why will ye perſiſt in Sin? The LORD of Life has ſhed His precious Blood to ſave you! Come, draw near unto Him: fly to the Arms of His Love: hide you in His open Wounds. Do not any more think light of His dying Love. Let it melt down your Stubbornneſs. O GOD give us a Sight of our Sins, that we may abhor ourſelves, and ſhew unto us of the Things of JESUS! Now turn away Thy Wrath from us, and fill our Souls with Joy and Peace in believing.

3. I beſeech you to conſider with great Seriouſneſs, the great, the glorious Salvation which is offered unto us by the Goſpel. O, pray come, whatever elſe you neglect, do not neglect this! It is much to be deſired! it is precious and lovely; it yields us all good things. To be ſaved from the Guilt, and Power, and In-being of Sin; from all Fear of Death and Hell, and Wrath; in ſhort, from all Miſery: and moreover, to be made Partakers of the Inheritance of the Saints in Light: to come to GOD's eternal Joy! O what a Salvation is this! My Brethren, ſeek it while it may be found. Never reſt, till your Souls are releaſed from the Bondage of Corruption, and brought into the Liberty of the Sons of GOD. Now is the Time that the Grace of GOD muſt appear to you, to ſave you from all Sin. The Blood and Righteouſneſs of CHRIST muſt be applied, and brought into your Souls. We muſt now know CHRIST for ourſelves. Except He waſh us, we have no Part with Him. Waſh us, O LORD, and make us clean! O deliver us from the Body of this Death! Pray and cry, till you know that GOD is your Salvation.

vation. Cry for the Spirit of Adoption, to purify your Hearts. Believe for the Remiſſion of your Sins. Do not deceive your own Souls. If CHRIST does not dwell in your Hearts by Faith; if He does not ſhed abroad His Love there, your Faith, your Religion is vain. If ever you enter into Glory, you muſt be juſtified, in the Name of the LORD JESUS, and ſanctified by the Spirit of our GOD. All the Body of Sin muſt be deſtroyed. That is, all old Things muſt be done away, 2 *Cor.* v. 17. And this muſt be done here, even in the preſent World. For there is no Work, nor Device, nor Wiſdom, nor Knowledge in the Grave, whither we go.

4. Remember how it ſhall happen to all thoſe that forget GOD. Thoſe who are diſobedient, and deſpiſe the Riches of GOD's Grace. They ſhall be puniſhed both in Time, and in Eternity. GOD has curſed them, and they cannot be bleſſed. They ſhall have a trembling Heart, and failing of Eyes; neither ſhall they find Reſt for Body or Soul. My dear Friends, let me freely ſpeak unto you; and do not count me your Enemy for telling you the Truth. Have you not neglected this Salvation? Have you not made light of the Meſſage GOD has ſent! He has warned you to flee from the Wrath to come; but alas, you are many of you yet in your Sins. O make no more lame Excuſes. Let not your Farms, your Merchandize, or any of the Cares of this Life, take up your Hearts, and all

your Time. Count all but Droſs and Dung, in Compariſon of the ſaving Knowledge of CHRIST JESUS our LORD. O kiſs the Son, leſt He be angry with you, and ſwear in His Wrath, you ſhall never taſte of His Supper!

Now pluck out the right Eye. Cut off the right Hand. Lay aſide every Weight. And whatever Sin does moſt eaſily beſet you. Except you are thus minded; unleſs you put this in Execution, You cannot eſcape the Damnation of Hell. GOD will bring you to Judgment, O you ſtout-hearted, ſtiff-necked Sinners! Ye Enemies of GOD; ye Heirs of Woe; ye murtherers of your own Souls! Repent, repent. Turn to GOD while Mercy's Door is open, before you are conſigned over to the Tormentors. —— You know you are not happy now. No; How ſhould you, while you neglect the great Salvation? And the Miſery you now feel in your Body and Mind, is only the Beginning of Sorrows. Juſtice is puniſhing you. The Arm of the LORD is lifted up to cut you down. You have cumbered the Ground, GOD knows, too long.

O GOD, in the Midſt of Wrath, remember Mercy. Spare us good LORD, till we recover our ſpiritual Health; till our Souls are waſhed in the Blood of the Lamb.——Do not ſay, "We cannot bear this Man; we hate him; he never prophſies

pheſies Good concerning us." I can propheſy no better concerning you, while you are living in Rebellion againſt GOD. I dare not ſpeak ſmooth Things to you. No; I aſk you, How can you ſtand before the righteous Judge? If He was *now* to require your Soul of you, How could you anſwer before Him, for having neglected the great Salvation? Would your vain and worldly Excuſes ſatisfy Him? I warn you this Day, to caſt away your Tranſgreſſions. I call Heaven and Earth to witneſs againſt you, that if you do not; theſe Words which you hear this Day, will increaſe yaur Damnation to all Eternity; and how then ſhall ye dwell with everlaſting Burnings? O that my Head were Waters, and mine Eyes Fountains of Tears, that I might weep over your dying Souls! O that I could perſuade you to be reconciled to GOD!

And now leaſt any ſhould utterly deſpair, let me tell you GOD is willing to forgive you all. After all you have done, He will take you into his favour. Here is a *great Salvation* for *great Sinners.* Come, though your Sins be as Scarlet, they can be made as white as Snow, in the Blood of CHRIST. Be encouraged. Draw near and hear, and your Soul ſhall live. JESUS the Sinner's Friend is ready to receive you. He came to ſave ſuch poor, vile, helpleſs Sinners as we are. Methinks your Hearts begin to re-

relent. You ſeem deſirous to ſee JESUS. LORD carry on the Work Thou haſt begun.

Yet, ſaith the LORD, I am willing to have Mercy upon you, to forgive all your Sins, to heal all your Diſeaſes. My Heart is filled with Mercy towards you. I love you ſtill; and I rejoice to bleſs you, and make you happy. And to convince you of my great Love for your Souls, I gave my only begotten Son to die for you. I have alſo ſent you my Spirit, and Meſſengers to woo you, and beſeech you to be reconciled to Me. And O Sinners, will ye now hearken unto Me? Will ye be wiſe, and accept this Mercy? Will you be forgiven, and that freely? Are you ſatisfied to caſt away your Tranſgreſſions? and be made the Sons and Daughters of the LORD Almighty? Can you hold out any more? Does not your Miſery move you? Does not my Love conſtrain you? O let ſomething prevail! I am not willing that any of you ſhould periſh. I ſwear unto you, I have no Pleaſure in your Death. O believe this, and now receive my Son. I give Him to you freely. Take Him and uſe Him as you ſtand in Need of Him. Let Him be for Light, and for Comfort, for Righteouſeſs, and for Strength unto you. And moreover, I will give you My Holy Spirit, to guide you, and aſſiſt you; and ſtill more, after I have prepared

pared you for Glory, I will give you a Crown, and a Kingdom. You ſhall ſit at My Table, and dwell in my Houſe, and have the Priviledges of Sons. Your Sins ſhall not be mentioned to you. I will love you as though you had never offended Me.

Now I ſay O Sinner, If thou didſt hear the LORD ſpeak thus unto thee, ſure thou wouldſt leave thy Sins, and accept of Mercy. Why then theſe are in Effect, the very Words of GOD. He reaſons with you, after this manner. Well may you and I make anſwer and ſay, It is true LORD, I am a vile, weak Sinner. I condemn myſelf. I abhor myſelf as in Duſt and aſhes. And O my GOD, I admire and embrace thy Mercy: I fly to Thee for Succour, and Salvation! I am deſtitute of all Good. O be it unto me according to thy Word! Receive me graciouſly, and love me freely. Sanctify me wholly, and ſave me eternally. Is this the Language of thine Heart, O thou afflicted, and toſſed with Tempeſt, and not comforted? Be of good Courage then; thou art not far from the Kingdom of GOD. The Time of your Redemption is at hand. Come LORD JESUS, come quickly.

To conclude. I beſeech you never to reſt till your Hearts are thus broken; till you are deeply ſenſible of your loſt Eſtate, and fly to Him for Mercy. And ye that know what is in your Heart, Cry, yea, cry mightily unto the LORD till he gives you reſt for your Soul.—Again you that are juſtified freely, thro' the Redemption that is in JESUS CHRIST, ſee that ye walk as becometh the Goſpel. Be ye Followers of GOD as dear Children; and walk in Love, even the Love of GOD and Man. Abound in every Good Word and Work.—Your Prayers, and Tears, and Hearing and Communicating, will not indeed merit heaven. JESUS CHRIST hath done this.

Yet you are called upon to walk in theſe Ordinances of GOD blameleſs. You are created in CHRIST JESUS unto Good Works, in which God has appointed you ſhould walk. Do not therefore imagine that I have been making void the Law thro' Faith; GOD forbid, for I know the Law is Holy, and the Commandment Holy, and Juſt and Good: that is, if a Man uſe it lawfully; for the End that GOD gave it; namely to be a Schoolmaſter to bring us to CHRIST; and after we are juſtified to be a Rule of Life unto us. Let

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us thus love the Law of the LORD, and keep the
Covenant of our GOD, that we may prove what
that Good, and acceptable and perfect will
GOD! To whom be the Glory, Kingdom
Dominion, through our LORD JESUS CH
World without End. Amen.